



**STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

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November 16, 2022

The Honorable Jerrilea Crawford
East Wenatchee City Hall
271 Ninth Street NE
East Wenatchee, WA 98802

**Re: City of East Wenatchee Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review Amendment –
Conditional Approval**

Dear Mayor Crawford:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the City of East Wenatchee (City) for its efforts in preparing the proposed Shoreline Master Program (SMP) periodic review amendment. It is obvious that the City invested a significant effort in this periodic review process.

Ecology conditionally approves the City's SMP periodic review amendment.

As we have discussed with your staff, the Washington State Department of Ecology considered the record and concluded that portions of the proposal were not consistent with applicable laws and rules. The findings and conclusions that support our decision are contained in Attachment A. The specific changes identified as necessary to make the proposal approvable are detailed in Attachment B with additional recommendations contained in Attachment B Exhibit 1.

Pursuant to RCW 90.58.090(2)(e), at this point, the City may:

- Agree to the proposed changes, or
- Submit an alternative proposal. Ecology will then review the alternative(s) submitted for consistency with the purpose and intent of the changes originally developed by Ecology and with the Shoreline Management Act.

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Final Ecology approval will occur after the City responds to Ecology communicating the acceptance of our required changes and the City's decision on the recommended changes. Ecology's final approval will be in the form of a letter, and will be sent upon receipt of the City's written notification that the proposed changes are acceptable to the City, or after the City and Ecology have reached an agreement on alternative language that meets the statutory and rule requirements.

Please provide your written response within 30 days to me at laura.watson@ecy.wa.gov.

Thank you again for your efforts to continue to improve the City's SMP. We look forward to receiving your written response and concluding this SMP periodic review process in the near future. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the changes identified, please contact our regional planner, Chelsea Benner, at chelsea.benner@ecy.wa.gov or 509-571-4155.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Laura Watson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Laura Watson
Director

Enclosures

cc: Lori Barnett, City of East Wenatchee
Chelsea Benner, Ecology
Gary Graff, Ecology